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Applicant: THOMAS et al.
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Examiner Lawrence Jr.
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For: "APPARATUS AND PROCESS
FOR PREPARING SORBENTS FOR MERCURY
CONTROL AT THE POINT OF USE"

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of March 29, 2006. Enclosed herewith is a petition for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the time period for response from June 29, 2006 to September 29, 2006. Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-1970 the amount of \$980.00 as the fee for such extension. Please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.